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August 12, 1998

Via Facsimile and Federal Express

Mr. F. Andrew Turley Supervisory Attorney Central Enforcement Docket Federal Election Commission Washington, D.C. 20463

RE: MUR 4780

Dear Mr. Turley,

This will acknowledge receipt, on August 11, of your August 6, 1998 letter to Mr. Phillip W. Farmer, CEO and President of Harris Corporation, advising that the Commission has received a complaint which alleges that Harris may have violated the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971.

Although this is the first time that a complaint of this nature has been filed against Harris, rest assured that Harris views this complaint as a serious matter and intends to treat it as such. Accordingly, I have designated Mr. Gene Cavallucci, Vice-President, Sector Counsel of the Electronic Systems Sector to take full responsibility for, and work directly with outside counsel for this matter. His phone number is (407) 727-4101 and his fax number is (407) 727-5789. I am also enclosing the Statement of Designation of Counsel indicating that Ms. Karen Hastie Williams, a partner in the law firm of Crowell and Moring, is Harris designated outside counsel with respect to this matter.

Consistent with the Preliminary Procedures enclosed with your letter, Harris requests additional time within which to respond to the complaint. The conduct alleged in the complaint took place in Alaska which is a considerable distance (and 4 hours time difference) from Harris' Melbourne, Florida Headquarters. So that Harris can provide your office with a comprehensive response, Harris intends to conduct a thorough and complete review of the allegations in Alaska where the alleged conduct took place and where all of the ANICS employees work and live. Harris therefore requests an additional 30 days to respond to your letter and trusts that good cause is established by the extenuating circumstances of the time and distance involved.

Harris looks forward to resolving this matter as expeditiously as possible.

Sincerely,

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STATEMENT OF DESIGNATION OF COUNSEL

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